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MONASTIC CHURCH — A congregation of some 350 persons participate in the dedication Mass Oct. 21 of the Benedictine Prince of Peace Abbey Church, Oceanside. (See story and related photos on page 6.)

Synod eyes ministries of the laity

Debate over lay role unresolved

By John Thavis
NC News Service

VATICAN CITY — Lay ministries — their form, preparation, tasks and even the term "ministry" — have emerged as one of the thorniest issues in the Oct. 1-30 synod on the laity.

On other main topics, such as women's place in the church or criteria for evaluating lay movements, synod participants were speaking of a growing consensus of views by the third week.

But the debate over ministries was apparently still in full swing, with little chance of resolution by synod's end.

At the center of the discussion were such roles as permanent deacons, lectors and acolytes, delegates of the word, teachers and catechists, Communion distributors, parish administrators, and workers in Catholic charity and social programs.

An Oct. 13 mid-synod summary report on the themes, a copy of which was obtained by National Catholic News Service, posed these questions:

- Which functions should be called ministries, which should be called offices and which should be called duties?
- Which is the competent authority to decide or permit these ministries in the church?
- How should non-ordained ministries be conferred on the laity? Is a liturgical act required or does a juridical act suffice?

After trying to answer these questions in the first four days of group discussions, Archbishop John L. May of St. Louis, president of the U.S. bishops' conference, said Oct. 20 that there was "less unanimity" on ministries than on other issues.

"Clearly there was dissatisfaction in descriptions of the role of ordained and non-ordained ministries. There is a growing grey area between the two, a lack of theological and canonical precision, which needs correction and then development," Archbishop May said at a press conference Oct. 20.

Archbishop May said that a "strong consensus" had emerged in the small groups that all non-ordained ministries should be open to men and women. Many of the groups specifically asked that "children of both sexes be allowed to serve at the altar," he said.

Archbishop May said it was the feeling of many of the groups that the ministries of lector and acolyte should either be "refashioned as steps to ordination," or if retained as they are now, "they should be

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All Saints Day is Nov. 1



By Joyce Carr
Southern Cross

The stained glass window in All Hallows Church depicts some angels and saints, including Saints Peter and Paul, surrounding an image of the risen Christ. The eye of God, representing the Father, is above the figure of Jesus. The dove at the apex of the window symbolizes the Holy Spirit.

The feast of All Saints, celebrated on Nov. 1, honors all the blessed in heaven, particularly those who have no special feasts.

In the United States the feast is a holyday of obligation. Because it is celebrated on Sunday this year, the liturgy for the feast replaces that for the 31st Sunday in ordinary time.

The Preface for All Saints capsulizes the meaning of the solemnity: "Around your throne the saints, our brothers and sisters, sing your praise forever. Their glory fills us with joy, and their communion with us in your church gives us inspiration and strength as we hasten on our pilgrimage of faith, eager to meet them."

The intercessory role of the saints is expressed in the opening prayer of the liturgy to God the Father: "May their prayers bring us your forgiveness and love."

The veneration of the saints not only honors holy men and women of the past, but also the living members of the church who struggle to bring about the kingdom of God, according to literature from the diocesan Center for Liturgy and Prayer.

Father Michael Smith, director of the center, explained the relationship between the Nov. 1 celebration and other feasts of the liturgical year.

"Looking to the saints who have lived the paschal mystery, we recognize that people today are being used as instruments of God," he said.

If the liturgy for All Saints is celebrated properly, it should inspire members of the assembly to become saints by living the beatitudes in all their environments, he said.

Referring to the Gospel, he said that being poor in spirit means "not being attached to material things, but to the things of the Lord."

Father Smith gave examples of Christians who witness to this poverty of spirit: those who work with the poor in ministries that require

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Assistance program is 5 years old

OCEANSIDE — The Ecumenical Service Center, an emergency assistance program, will celebrate its fifth anniversary Nov. 20, 6 p.m., with a dinner-dance at the Staff NCO Club, Camp Pendleton.

The center is sponsored by Catholic Community Services, Episcopal Community Services, Lutheran Social Services, Metro of the United Methodist Churches and the Presbytery of San Diego.

A two-member staff and 65 volunteers have enabled the center to serve over 60,000 people since it opened in 1982. Donations and private grants are a major source of funding, according to Marylou Sauerborn, center director.

Proceeds from the dinner-dance will further the work of the center. Tickets at $25 per person are available from the center, 125 S. Tremont, Oceanside, Tel.: 721-2117.



Photo by Larry Plaster

COMMERCIAL COMMISSION — Father Joseph Carroll, president of St. Vincent de Paul/Joan Kroc Center, receives a check for $10,000 from Bob Baker, owner of three local Ford dealerships. Baker had pledged to give the center $100 from his family foundation for each car sold during the Labor Day weekend. Father Carroll advertised the cars in a television commercial which promoted the project. Ninety-eight cars were sold.

CCS Auxiliary to present boutique

DEL CERRO — Members of Catholic Community Services Auxiliary will sponsor a benefit Holiday Boutique at St. Therese parish hall Nov. 7, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. and Nov. 8, 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

The event will feature handcrafted gifts and baked goods. Co-chairpersons are Antoinette Nanik and Helen Ewalt.

For further information, call Jeanne Layon, 453-5284.

CHD pre-application procedures announced

SAN DIEGO — Nonprofit groups providing self-help activities to low-income and minority persons can apply to the Campaign for Human Development for funding, according to Father James Mason, executive director of Catholic Community Services.

Pre-application forms must be submitted to the San Diego and Washington, D.C. offices by Nov. 1. Those unable to meet this deadline can contact Jenny Buselt at CCS, 231-2828. She will supply copies of the forms.

After screening pre-applications, eligible organizations will be notified and asked to submit a complete proposal by Jan. 31, 1988.

Mercy Hospital offers free transportation

HILLCREST — Mercy Hospital will provide senior citizens with free transportation service to and from the hospital, beginning Nov. 3.

The Mercy Bus accommodates up to 11 passengers, including one wheelchair passenger. They can be picked up at their door or at the following locations: St. Brigid Church, Pacific Beach, on Tuesdays; Blessed Sacrament Church on Wednesdays and Church of the Most Precious Blood, Chula Vista, on Thursdays.

The transportation service is operated by the American Red Cross Wheels program and funded by the Mercy medical staff and the hospital foundation.

For further information, call 297-3947.

Board of directors appointed to MEND

LA JOLLA — New appointees to the 11-member board of directors for Mothers Embracing Nuclear Disarmament (MEND) include Father Theodore Hesburgh, former president of the University of Notre Dame, author Norman Cousins and columnist Abigail Van Buren.

The board met in San Diego Oct. 23 to discuss legal, development and policy issues.

"This board is a unique blend of people with varied skills and areas of expertise," said Linda Smith, MEND president.

MEND is a nonprofit, educational organization which "supports multilateral, verifiable nuclear arms reductions" and other efforts to promote understanding among the nations of the world, according to a MEND news source.

Since its inception two years ago, MEND has opened a national office in San Diego and a second office in Washington, D.C.

The organization also operates chapters in nine other U.S. cities. Five more chapters are scheduled to open this year and internationally-based chapters are planned to open during the next two years.

For information about MEND, call the local office, 454-3343, or the Washington office, (202) 232-0418.

Parenting, childbirth courses scheduled

HILLCREST — Mercy Hospital has announced several family-centered programs to be held in November.

- An "Early Bird" class is designed to acquaint expectant parents with infant development, sexuality, nutrition and other aspects of pregnancy. The class, recommended for expectant parents during early pregnancy, will be held Nov. 3, 7-9:30 p.m. in the Mercy Education Center. The fee is $10.
- A class on "Prepared Childbirth," which meets weekly for eight sessions, focuses on Lamaze relaxation and breathing techniques, the birthing experience and the role of the coach/father in the labor and birth process.

Sessions will be held at three times: Tuesdays, beginning Nov. 3 from 7-9:15 p.m., Saturdays, beginning Nov. 7 from 9:30-11:45 a.m. and Wednesdays, beginning Nov. 18 from 7-9:15 p.m.

Registration to begin classes during the sixth month of pregnancy is suggested. The cost is $40 per couple.

- For expectant parents who have completed a childbirth education series, a refresher course on Lamaze and the birth experience will begin Nov. 2, 7-9:15 p.m. and meet weekly for three more weeks in the Mercy Education Center. The fee is $25 per couple.
- The class, "Becoming ... a Family" is designed for new parents of infants up to 3 months of age, who wish to share their experiences in infant care and development with other new parents. The class meets weekly on Tuesdays, 9:30-11:45 a.m., in Conference Room 1 of the Mercy Clinic. Cost is $30 for 8 classes or $4 for each one.
- Specially designed physical exercises for expectant mothers who have completed 12 weeks of pregnancy are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:00-6:45 p.m.. The cost is $25 per month or $3.50 for each one.

All programs are open to the public and free parking is available for participants. Preregistration is requested. For more information, call 260-7234.

Nominations solicited for Cupid Award

Nominations are being accepted for the fifth annual nationwide Cupid Award intended to honor the television commercial which best displays positive marriage values in the context of selling a national product or service.

Deadline for nominations is Dec. 15. The winner will be announced on World Marriage Day, Feb. 14, 1988.

Sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter, World Marriage Day honors married couples as the heart of the family and the basic unit of society, according to a news source.

Nominations should be sent to World Marriage Day, 2134 Eucalyptus Ave., Escondido, CA 92025.

Mercy Hospital to sponsor OASIS

HILLCREST — Mercy Hospital and Medical Center has been selected as the medical sponsor for the new OASIS Center for senior citizens scheduled to open Nov. 18 at Robinson's in Horton Plaza.

Other local OASIS sponsors are Robinson's and San Diego County's Area Agency on Aging.

OASIS, the Older Adult Service and Information System, offers a variety of free health, educational and cultural programs for adults 60 years of age and over. There are 17 OASIS Centers in 13 cities nationwide with over 50,000 active members.

"Mercy Health Update" will feature weekly health programs and lectures at the OASIS Center. The winter program, scheduled from Dec. 4 to Jan. 15, will include lectures on heart disease, strokes, stress, depression, exercise and disease prevention. Each program will be presented by physicians at Mercy Hospital and allied health professionals.

Advance registration is required for participation in the program. Membership and program registration will be held Nov. 18-20, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the OASIS Center on the fourth floor of Robinson's.

— Compiled by Joyce Carr from submitted information

little known facts:

- St. Agnes parish, which began as a mission in 1908, had no resident pastor for the first 25 years.
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Second woman joins diocesan Tribunal

By Veronica Garcia
Southern Cross

ALCALA PARK — The newest member of the diocesan Tribunal, Mary Jo Gretsinger, is a first for the Diocese of San Diego.

A diocesan judge on the Tribunal since Sept. 1, Gretsinger is the first female non-Religious member of the body.

Gretsinger is quick to point out that she is not the first lay member of the Tribunal. Sister Glenna Raybell, OSB, who joined the staff in September 1986, is the first lay person on the Tribunal, she explained, noting that Vatican II states that Sisters are members of the laity.

With the addition of Gretsinger, the Tribunal now includes three full-time clerics and two full-time lay persons.

Gretsinger said she has worked primarily on marriage cases since her arrival here. But, as a canon lawyer, she is available to answer inquiries concerning the laws of the church.

Being a canon lawyer gives her "the opportunity to serve the church as a lay person. I can make a contribution and serve my brothers and sisters," she said.

The most enjoyable part of her work has been conducting personal interviews with people petitioning for annulments of their marriages, she said. "This is a time when healing takes place. I can talk with them and answer their questions.

"Sometimes these people feel cut off from the church because their marriages have failed. They feel alienated." The interview can be the beginning of their journey back, she said.

Because she is a lay person, Gretsinger is not able to act as a sole judge in the disposition of a marriage case. A cleric — whether a deacon, a priest or a bishop — can make a sole ruling on a marriage case. "But a lay person must act as a college with two other clerics," she said.

Gretsinger noted that many lay women are going into the field of canon law. She cited the dioceses of Dallas and Cincinnati as two other places with female canonists.

Gretsinger did not originally set out to be a canon lawyer. During her 43 years of life, she has been a probation officer, alcohol and drug abuse counselor and director of religious education.

"The hand of God has led me from one (career) to another," she explained.

Born in Los Angeles, Gretsinger attended a Catholic elementary school in that city. Her family then moved to Upland, Calif., where she graduated from Upland High School.

After earning her bachelor's degree in sociology in 1968 from the Domican College in San Rafael, Calif., she worked two years as a deputy probation officer for Los Angeles County.

In 1972, she became a civilian employee of the U.S. Army, working as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor, first at Fort Ord, Calif., then in Seoul, South Korea.

During this time, she was a volunteer religious education teacher on the army base and in her parish.

In 1979, she obtained a U.S. Army position as a full-time director of religious education at Fort Riley, Kan.

While serving there, she decided to pursue a master's degree in religious education at the University of San Francisco.

In her first semester at USF, she met a Dominican priest who told her about the possibility of studying theology in Rome. "I didn't know a woman could do this," she said.

In February 1981 Gretsinger went to Rome to study at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas (Angelicum), where she earned a bachelor's degree in theology in 1983.

Two years later she received a license in theology, specializing in moral theology. Last June, she earned her license in canon law, graduating *summa cum laude*.

While studying in Rome, Gretsinger said Pope John Paul II gave two birthday parties for her. "My birthday is April 19. Twice during my six years there, Easter Sunday fell on that date. So the pope said Mass for me in St. Peter's Square," she joked, adding that some 250,000 people attended the celebration.

Gretsinger noted that her career changes have been evolutionary, rather than planned, occurrences. "My volunteer CCD work led to my full-time DRE position, which led to my decision to study for a master's in religious education, which led to my studying theology in Rome, which led to my study of canon law."

Her decision to come to San Diego was not unplanned, however.

While studying in Rome, she became acquainted with Benedictine priests and learned of Oceanside's Prince of Peace Abbey, where she attended a retreat.

"I decided to become an Oblate of St. Benedict in 1983. ... Oblates are lay people who don't necessarily have a vocation to the religious life, but who love the Benedictines and their way of life and want to be affiliated with them," she explained. Oblates adapt the rule of St. Benedict to their lives as lay people, she added.

Because she wanted to be near Prince of Peace Abbey, the Benedictine community she is affiliated with, Gretsinger said the San Diego diocese was her first choice as a place to work.

Friendships she built with several San Diegans while in Rome was another factor in her choice to come here, she said.

Gretsinger said her studies have not ended. A doctoral candidate, she is presently working on a thesis in moral theology, which she will complete within three years. After she finishes it, she hopes to teach one or two classes at the University of San Diego.

She also hopes to become actively involved in working at her parish, Mary, Star of the Sea in La Jolla.



Photo by Veronica Garcia

NEW JUDGE — Mary Jo Gretsinger joined the diocesan Tribunal as a judge Sept. 1.

SDOP honors parishes

SHELTER ISLAND — Three pastors and their parish organizing committees received awards for their work with the San Diego Organizing Project (SDOP) earlier this month during a ceremony at the Bali Hai Restaurant.

Fern James, SDOP Executive Board president, presented plaques to:

- Jesuit Father Robert Fambrini, pastor of Christ the King Church, for his efforts to end drug dealing in areas near the parish;
- Father Ramon Marrufo, pastor of Our Lady of Angels Church, for his parish's efforts to improve police response time in the neighborhood;
- Father Ned Brockhaus, pastor of St. Jude Shrine, for his parish's service in the amnesty program for undocumented immigrants.

Although not in attendance, Bishop Leo T. Maher was also honored for his support of SDOP.

SDOP is a federation of community and church-based organizations which aim to solve problems in their areas. Initiated in 1978 by a group of pastors and residents in Southeast San Diego, it has expanded into San Ysidro and Mid-City, and is looking toward countywide expansion.

Among others honored at the Bali Hai ceremony for various types of service were:

- Maureen King and Jim Mulvaney of All Hallows Church, La Jolla, who served as co-chairpersons of the SDOP Advisory Council;
- Anna Major of St. Rita Church was chairperson of the SDOP Eyesore Committee;
- Jose Navarro, a youth from Our Lady of Angels Church, instructed residents in the use of the computer this past summer.
- Evelia Guzman, also of Our Lady of Angels Church, assisted in establishing the Sherman Heights Community Center.

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Qualified laity can give sermons for pastoral good

Regarding the NC News Service report on the laity not giving homilies and sermons, (*Southern Cross*, Oct. 9), your readers should be made aware that the Code Commission for the Correct Interpretation of the Code of Canon Law did not use the word sermon in their clarification, nor did they intend to change canon 766 or other present liturgical law on the matter.

Laity may, when there is a necessity or for the pastoral good of the people, give sermons and instructions, providing those lay persons are qualified and properly delegated to do so.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The source of my clarification is the secretary of the Papal Commission for the Correct Interpretation of the Code of Canon Law, Msgr. Julian Herranz of the Vatican, and Rev. Francis Morrisey, a consultor to the same commission, both of whom I saw at the Canon Law Society of America convention in Nashville, Tenn., on Oct. 13.

In the Oct. 16 *Southern Cross*, Agostino Bono of NC News Services reported that "the synod is a consultative body to the pope, and its proposals do not constitute offical policy."

The Synod of Bishops may be asked by the pope to take a deliberative (decisive) vote on certain matters. The pope, as chief bishop of the College of Bishops, would then need to ratify and promulgate such decisions (canon 343).

I do not wish these corrections to indicate that your paper is other than a fine paper. I am especially enjoying the coverage of the synod on the laity.

Sister Glenna J. Raybell, J.C.L.
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Diocesan Tribunal
San Diego

Should Catholics dissent?

Re: Father (Gerald) Coleman's piece "Do good Catholics dissent?" (*Southern Cross*, Oct. 16).

Did Father Coleman provide the headline or did your editor write it? It seems obvious that Coleman's article seeks to answer the question, "Should good Catholics dissent?" That Catholics, among their hierarchy, clergy and theologians who consider themselves "good," do in fact dissent is the reason, of course, that Coleman feels called upon to write as he did.

His statement may be logically compelling, but only if one accepts his personal conscience position — personal conscience being the point on which the authoritarian approach is most vulnerable and to which the magisterium now, as in Luther's time, has made no invincible response except to itself.

Coleman's concluding quotation from the "Constitution on the Church in the Modern World" leaves the matter wide open: "Unity in what is necessary, freedom in what is unsettled, and charity in any case." That is not an answer, but it poses the question.

Dissent in fact arises out of disagreement about what is necessary and what is unsettled. It is the theologically unsophisticated, trying to act morally, who suffer most in trying to reconcile what they perceive — and their consciences tell them — is necessary and unsettled with the unchanging attitude that "you can only be right when you agree with me."

C.F. Hartman
Carlsbad

Hagen's review not useful

The movie reviews by Mr. Hagen give absolutely no useful guidance that would help a Catholic family decide on which films should be viewed.

At the risk of sounding anti-intellectual, his amoral approach to evaluating a movie has no place in what is supposed to be a Catholic paper.

The *Southern Cross* should do the responsible thing and dump him in favor of a critic sensitive to the moral undertones of a film, as well as its artistic and entertainment value.

Jerome L. Sinksy, M.D.
Escondido

This week Southern Cross *is running reviews by the U.S. Catholic Conference's Department of Communications reviewers (see page 8). Readers' feedback would be helpful. — Editor*

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Dissent and U.S. Catholics

MY POINT OF VIEW
by FATHER ROBERT KRESS

All during Pope John Paul II's American visit, a constant theme in the media, both civil and church, has been the alleged dissent of American Catholics. Indeed, the pope himself felt compelled to address this issue head on. The fact of dissent in American Catholicism is certainly undeniable. The general interpretation of this dissent is, however, eminently deniable.

Three major errors are at the base of this misinterpretation:

- The first is the almost exclusive focus, and not only by secular media of which such narrowness might be expected, on the morality of certain sexual practices, including compulsory celibacy for priests.
- The second is the constant contention that this American Catholic dissent began in the 1960s. In this view, the two major causes of dissent are the Second Vatican Council and the achievement of high levels of education, professionalism and prosperity by the large body of American Catholics.
- The third error attributes dissent to liberals, as if conservative Catholics did not and do not dissent.

In reality, dissent in the American Catholic Church admits none of these explanations. It is, rather, both long-standing and widespread, conservative as well as liberal. As such, American dissent participates in the long history of dissent in the whole church, from its very beginning. One need only recall that without dissent there would be no Gentiles in the church.

The first American Catholic dissent was from the established state church, which was customary in both Protestant and Catholic nations in Europe. American Catholics found nonestablishment not only negatively acceptable, but positively challenging. It stimulated the entire Catholic population to greater participation in the life and activity of the church.

Perhaps the most significant single event in the history of American Catholicism took place in Maryland, while it was still a Catholic state.

The Jesuits protested to Lord Calvert that the state had failed to provide "for the church the Immunitye and priviledges (sic) which she enjoyeth everywhere else." Although some prominent citizens wished to accede to the Jesuit petition for state support, Lord Calvert prevailed. Catholicism would henceforth be both free and voluntary.

One must also recall that Catholic lay people participated in the Knights of Labor's organization of the workers into unions. It was after this participation that Cardinal Gibbons went to Rome to defend this dissenting activity.

Finally, it is clear that in practice many Catholics have found it possible to be both active church members and divorced, and even remarried. This practical ability antedates 1966 by far.

What is, then, the case with American Catholic dissent? First of all, in contrast to Europe, where dissent has customarily meant departure from the church, American Catholics have found it possible to dissent and remain active in the church. In accord with the general American experience, American Catholics know that dissent and consent are both ways of belonging to and participating in a given society. They did not learn this in the 1960s.

As Harriet Martineau observed already in 1837, "The Catholic body is democratic in its politics and made up from the more independent occupations. The Catholic religion is modified by the spirit of the time in America, and its professors are not a set of men who can be priest-ridden to any fatal extent."

For American Catholics, dissent is neither new nor disloyal. It is one way of being loyal to the church, which they are.

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Schools called to be family

EDUCATIONAL CORNER
by SISTER JOYCE HAMPEL

"Be successful: be unique: be independent." This is the message that our young people hear today from the media, from their friends, even from their textbooks.

But Catholic high schools strongly bear witness to a deeper call, one that is more fully human and more deeply interpersonal. "Yes, be these things," Catholic educators say, "but also be Christian and be community."

Responding creatively to the pressures that challenge family unity, Catholic high schools work to make the family bond a model for Christian community.

Accepting the call of the Second Vatican Council to serve our youth as "partners of the parents" (Declaration on Christian Education, No. 8), high school teachers and counselors are firm in their belief that they have something to give young people, and that young people have something to give them.

In the larger society, this sense of mutual giftedness is called family; in the Church it is called community. Integral to both is a willingness to risk, to communicate, to accept and to learn together.

The counseling departments of the Academy of Our Lady of Peace and St. Augustine High School, both in San Diego, have chosen the family as the model for this kind of openhearted sharing. Calling their program "Parenting: Agony or Ecstacy," the two schools have joined their efforts with those of the San Diego Scholastic Associates to offer parents and teachers an opportunity to learn together the skills and the gifts of family building.

Soon to begin its second year, "Parenting II" offers more than a study of adolescence and its difficulties. Its purpose is to help parents and those who share the parenting ministry with them to grow in their understanding of family hopes and fears. Echoing the words of "To Teach As Jesus Did" (U.S. bishops' pastoral letter on Catholic education, November 1972), they "work to create readiness for growth in community through the events of everyday life" (No. 8).

"No one ever taught parents exactly how to be parents," explained Sister Norah Marie Sargent, OLP's director of guidance and counseling. "Neither did anyone teach teen-agers how to be kids."

It is only through open and honest communication of the pain and the rewards of parenting that the bonds of family and community relationships can be strengthened.

Topics for the 1987-88 Parenting Series include: "Communication and the Psychology of Adolescence," "Acting-Out Behaviors," "Depression, Stress Reduction and Suicide," "Adolescent Sexuality," and "Addictions: Sex, Drugs, Eating Disorders."

Programs such as this challenge parents and teachers to be more than co-educators of youth. As the National Conference of Catholic Bishops has challenged all educators to realize, "Community is at the heart of Christian education, not simply as a concept to be taught but as a reality to be lived."

Formed by an experience of family building, we are all better able to create community in our homes, our places of work, our neighborhoods and our world.

Sister Joyce Hampel is assistant principal of the Academy of Our Lady of Peace, San Diego. This column is written by Catholic school educators in the diocese.

Solana Beach parishioners meet patriarch

EL CAJON — Forty-six members of St. James parish, Solana Beach, met the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem during a retreat to the Holy Land last month.

The Most Reverend John Joseph Beltritti received the group in a private audience and encouraged them to model themselves on the first Apostles, who carried the Good News to the "ends of the earth."

"From Jerusalem, San Diego seems like the ends of the earth on the beautiful Pacific Ocean," said the patriarch, who is like an archbishop and leads one of the ancient sees.

The Sept. 23-Oct. 9 retreat was led by Father Michael Murphy, associate pastor of Our Lady of Grace parish in El Cajon, and Sister Grace Ann Loperana, CSJ, pastoral assistant of St. James Church.

The patriarch told the pilgrims that they were blessed to have the opportunity to come to the Holy Land. "Take the experience back with you. Share it with the people of San Diego to help deepen their faith and commitment to the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

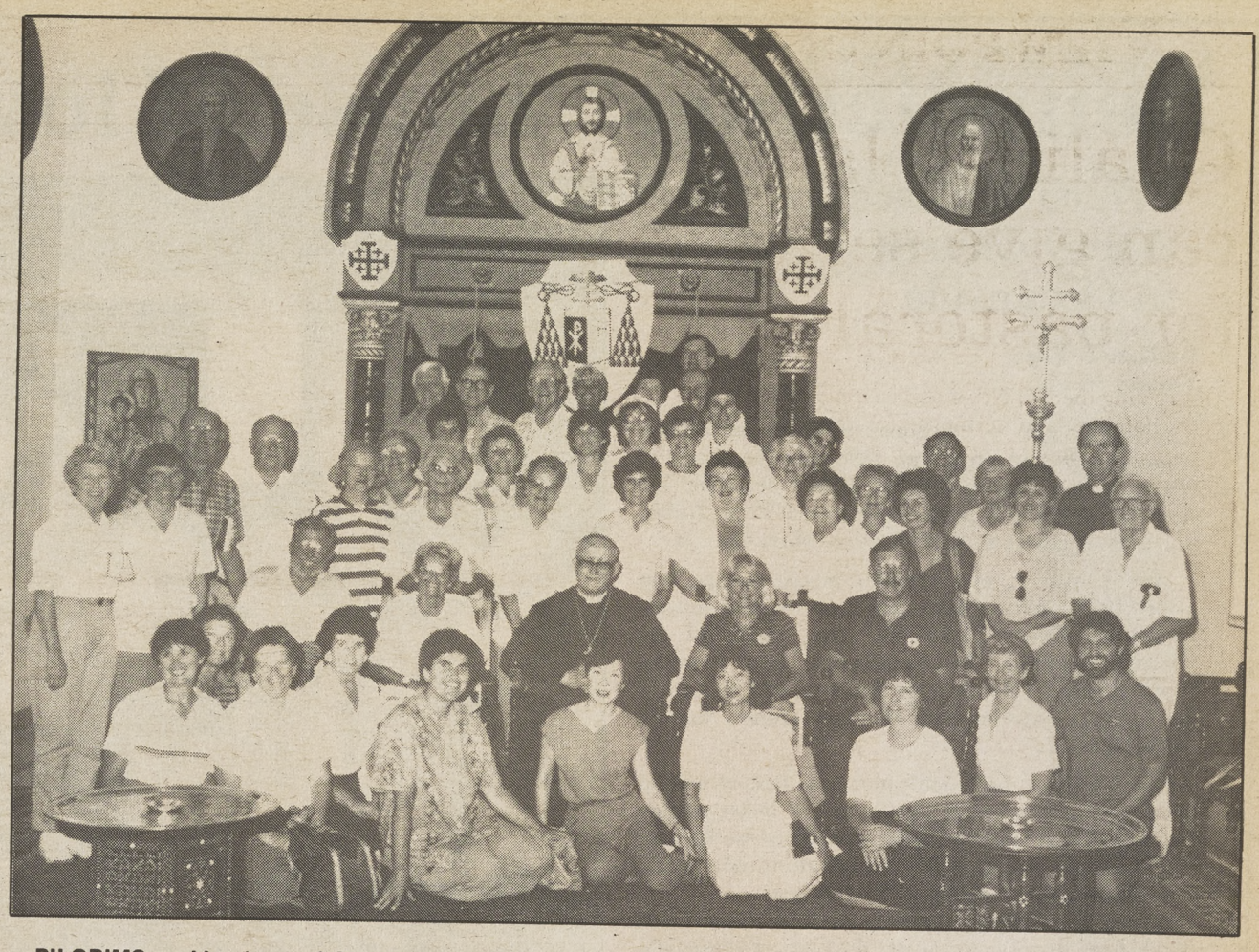
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"The retreat is an opportunity to pray and reflect on the life of Jesus by walking in the footsteps of the Lord," Father Murphy said.

"It's a unique opportunity to enter into the foundational moments of Christianity by reading the Scriptures and experiencing the places where the first Christians lived and prayed," he added.

Father Murphy said he leads retreats to the Holy Land because of his own love of the area.



PILGRIMS — Members of St. James parish, Solana Beach, met with the patriarch of Jerusalem, the Most Reverend John Joseph Beltritti, center, during a recent pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

"While a theology student in Rome, I had the opportunity one summer to work in Jerusalem giving tours at one of the holy sites," he explained.

"I have been back four times because of the joy I get by visiting the places where the Lord lived and prayed. I receive great satisfaction by sharing that experience with others."

Father Murphy said he offers a retreat experience because he does not enjoy leading tours in which holy places are rushed through in order to see as many as possible in a short period of time.

"Our emphasis is on prayer, reading the Scriptures and spending the time to truly appreciate the moments and places," he said.

"One should leave the Holy Land changed in some way by the experience. Prayer, as a primary contact point with God, opens the heart to receive the direction of the Spirit which leads to on-going conversion and a deeper response to our call to holiness," he added.

After their stay in Israel, the Solana Beach group spent five days in Rome, where they attended an audience with Pope John Paul II.

San Diegan attends meeting of Hispanic seminarians

By Veronica Garcia
Southern Cross

FRESNO — Anthony DiAngelis, a seminarian from the Diocese of San Diego, was among 55 seminarians from throughout California who attended the fourth annual California Hispanic Seminarians Meeting Oct. 2-4 at the Ryan Pastoral Center in Fresno.

DiAngelis, who is in his first year of theological study at St. Patrick's Seminary in Menlo Park, said he was one of a few non-Hispanic seminarians who attended the meeting on the theme "The Spirituality of the Hispanic Seminarian."

Among the gathering's speakers was Auxiliary Bishop Alphonse Gallegos of Sacramento who spoke on the need to place spirituality at the center of a seminarian's and priest's life. He challenged the seminarians to understand how spirituality and action go hand in hand.

Sister Maria Angela Mesa, CSJ, director of the Office of Hispanic Apostolate for the Diocese of Fresno, in a talk stressed the basic spiritual foundations of Hispanic faith and expression — chief among them being the centrality of the family and its relationship to the total celebration and respect for life.

During welcoming remarks to the seminarians, Bishop Joseph J. Madera of Fresno reminded them that spirituality goes deeper than the outward signs. Simply appearing to be Hispanic is not enough; spirituality must express who we are and what we believe about life and God's place in our lives, he said.

Participants had the opportunity to discuss among themselves the various issues and questions raised at meeting.

DiAngelis said he chose to attend the meeting because he believed it would help him better understand Hispanic culture. "I also wanted to get to know Hispanic seminarians on a personal level ... and to build friendships."

He had been to two other meetings, but this is the first time he was able to understand the lectures, given in Spanish. "I'm learning Spanish now," he said, adding that previously he had utilized the services of interpreters.

He believes it is important for non-Hispanic seminarians to understand Hispanic culture. "It's a given in (the Diocese of San Diego) that you will be working with Hispanics," he said.

Even those who will not be assigned to a parish with a large Hispanic population can benefit from learning about Hispanic culture, he said. With this knowledge, "you can help non-Hispanics understand the Hispanic environment."

CCC seeks new director for welfare division

SACRAMENTO — The California Catholic Conference seeks a director for its Division of Social Welfare.

The director assists the conference in communicating and developing public policy positions regarding state issues that impact the human and civil rights of people.

This includes, but is not limited to, access to health care, housing, rights of refugees and immigrants, food and nutrition policies and programs, child welfare and general income maintenance, civil and criminal justice concerns, and rights and needs of elderly, infirmed and disabled persons.

Among the director's major duties are serving as the CCC liaison to state administrative agencies, serving as the liaison to California dioceses and related constituencies, and monitoring and advocating on priority legislation for the CCC.

The present director of the division, Christine Granger, will leave her post in January and move to Boston, where her husband has obtained employment. Granger has been with the division for four years, serving as director for two years.

Granger said she will assist the new director through the period of transition.

Applicants for the position should have a college-level education and/or specialized training in the areas of public policy, ethics, theology, soical and/or political science. Familiarity with Catholic social teaching is required.

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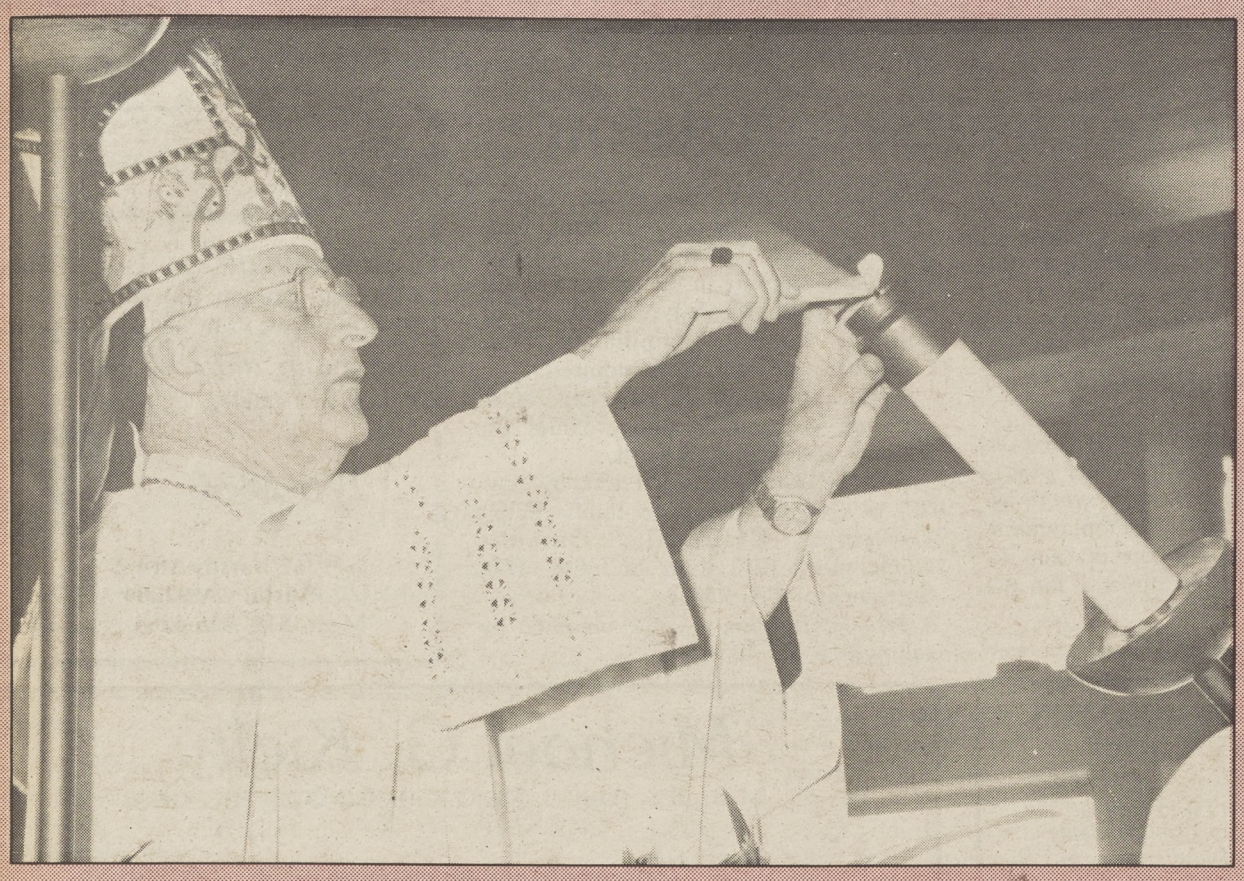


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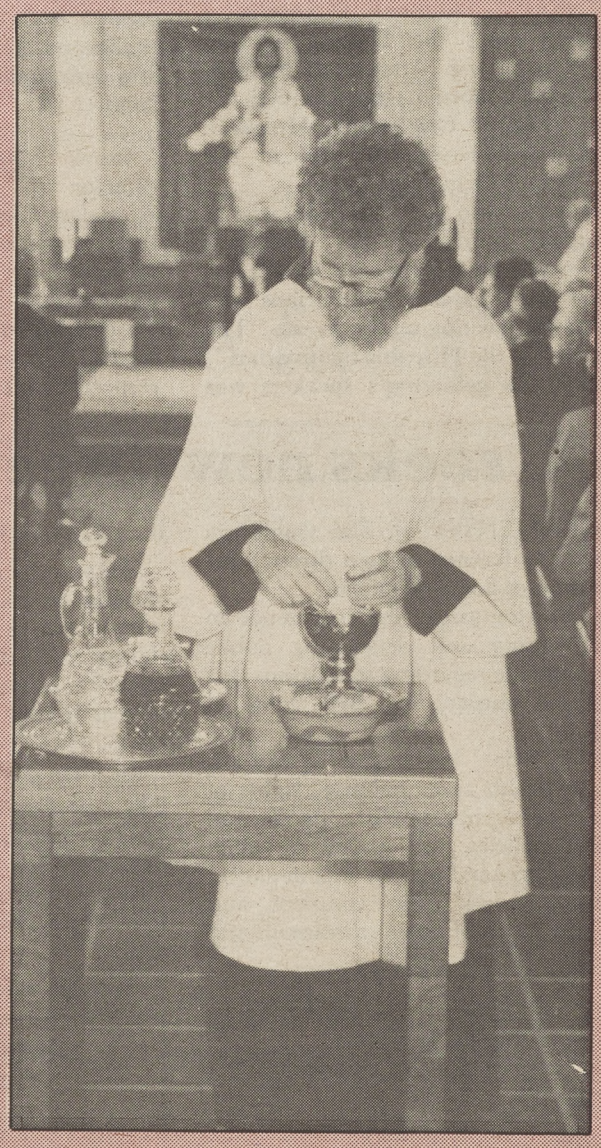


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Ministries emerge as thorny synod issues

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How the church should accomplish this was unclear. Synod sources said there was no consensus on a proposal by Cardinal George Basil Hume of Westminster, England, to categorize lay ministries into instituted, permanent posts requiring prior training (lector, acolyte and perhaps catechist) and commissioned, temporary ones within local church communities.

Cardinal Hume's proposal was not specifically taken up in the preliminary summary report. But the report zeroed in on one important aspect of the debate: whether lay ministries are to be developed and coordinated on a local level or by the church and the centrality of the Eucharist'' cannot be forgotten, the report added. This appeared to be a reminder that local churches cannot be satisfied only with liturgies of the Word and other ceremonies not requiring a priest.

Liturgical rites for the installation of some lay ministers, particularly catechists, has some support among synod fathers, said one synod source. But others say this might raise a host of problems, such as the duration of the ministries or how to ''uninstall'' people who wish to leave them.

The word ''ministry'' itself raises historical and sacramental concerns.

Lay groups descend on Rome

By Greg Erlandson
NC News Service

ROME — When the world Synod of Bishops gathered in Rome Oct. 1-30 to discuss the vocation and mission of the laity, so did groups ranging from Women for Faith and Family to a conference of self-identified U.S. lay leaders.

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Other groups present in Rome during the synod also acknowledged the value of forming networks, but through techniques ranging from press conferences to decals reading ''U.S. Roman Catholics (heart symbol) Pope John Paul II,'' they sought primarily to make themselves heard.

Helen Hull Hitchcock, an organizer of Women for Faith and Family, came to Rome with a computer printout of 40,000 names on a petition pledging support for Pope John Paul II and church teachings.

She called the petition — which affirms church teachings on sexuality and the family and rejects calls for women priests as an ''aberrant innovation'' — a ''very explicit statement.''

The petition's grass-roots distribution shows strong support for the church, Hitchcock said. She expressed ''disappointment'' at reports ''some Catholic bishops feel most Catholic women are unhappy with the church or church teaching.''

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Among other possible institutional changes that he spelled out, but with less anticipated impact on the priest shortage, were:

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- Changing church rules on ordination of women, on the permanency of active ministry, or on the reactivation

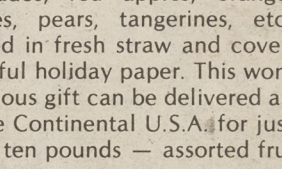
need for their parishes.

Compared with those options, ''the ordination of married men and of women is the safest course,'' with far less impact on fundamental church teaching and governance, Hoge argued.

Hoge's book, ''The Future of Catholic Leadership: Responses to the Priest Shortage,'' was published by Sheed and Ward. It was the product of three years of research by Hoge on U.S. Catholic priests, seminarians, vocation trends, and

that all the middle-class Protestant denominations (in the United States) have a surplus of clergy,'' he wrote. ''The Catholic Church alone has a shortage. Yet both mainline Protestants and Catholics live in the midst of the same mainstream American culture. Their young men attend many of the same colleges, watch the same television shows, participate in the same youth culture, and emerge with similar self-conceptions.

''The reason for the low enrollment in Catholic seminaries cannot be due to any putative cultural factor which distinguishes Catholics from mainline Protestants in America,'' he concluded. ''It must be due to differences in institutional rules concerning clergy.''



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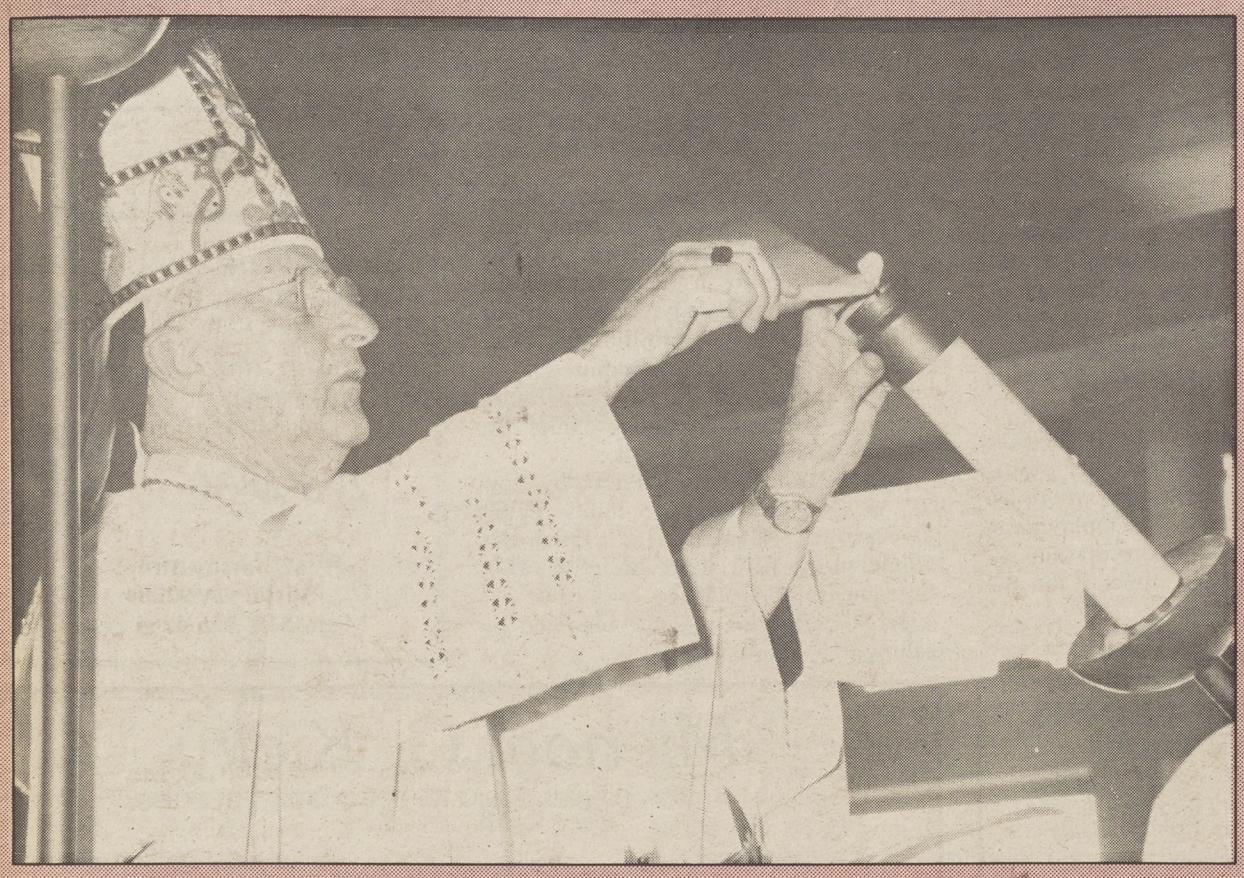


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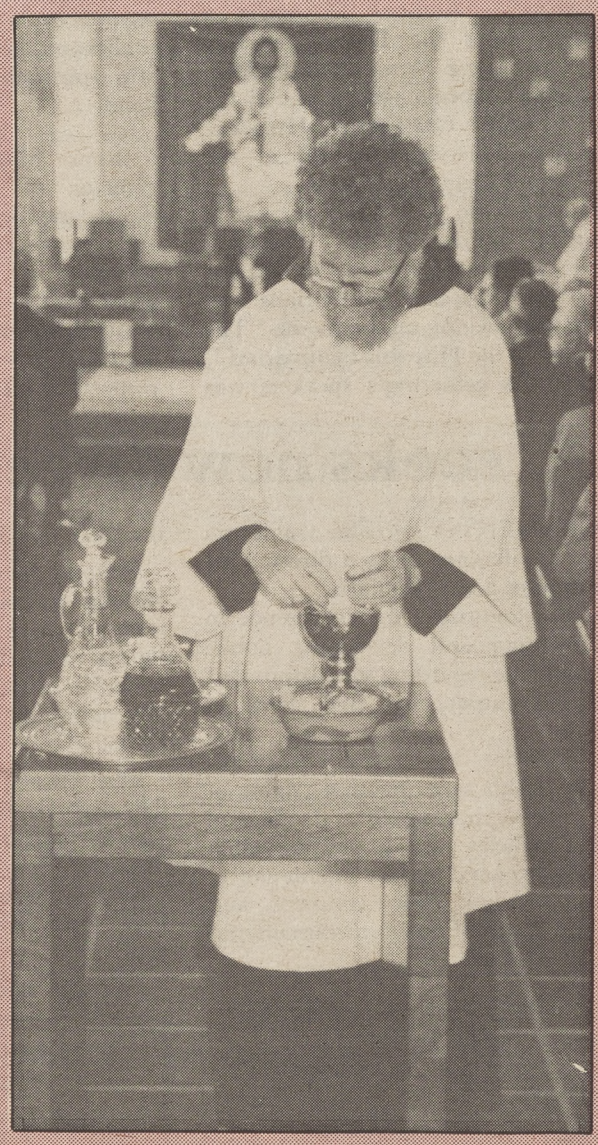
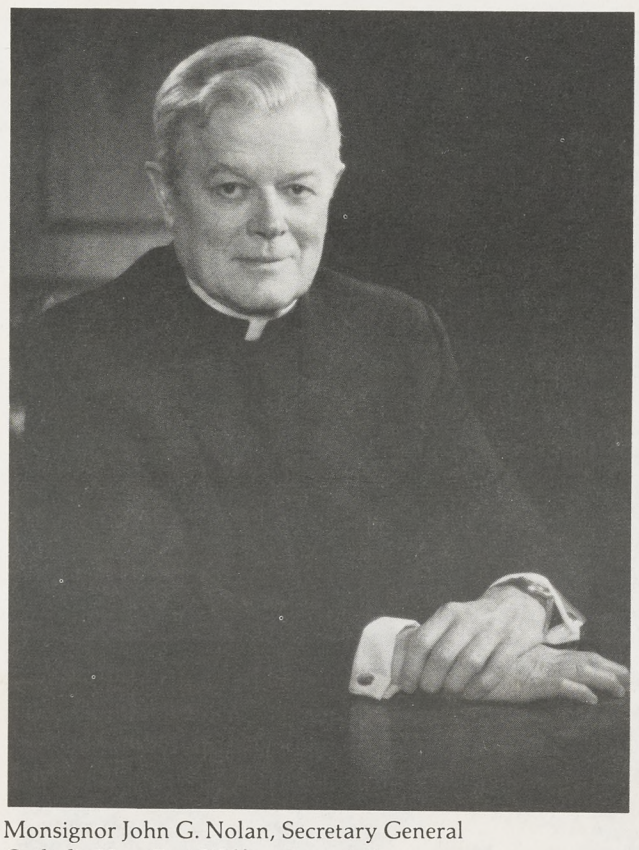


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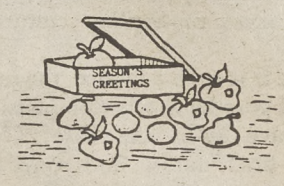
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Benedictines' 'house of love' dedicated

Prince of Peace Abbey Church in Oceanside

By Dan E. Pitre
Southern Cross



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OCEANSIDE — "A house of love" and a place where people can grow into reflecting the image of Christ is how Bishop Leo T. Maher described the new church of the Benedictine Prince of Peace Abbey and retreat center at its dedication Mass Oct. 21.

Bishop Maher, who presided at the liturgy, was joined by six Benedictine abbots all wearing mitres, including Abbot Claude Ehringer, OSB, of the Oceanside abbey; 25 Benedictine and diocesan priests, some 15 Benedictine Brothers and about 350 lay persons crowded into the new church for the celebration.

The invitation-only dedication was first of several opening ceremonies for the Prince of Peace Abbey Church, which is under the patronage of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Einsiedeln, in tribute to Mary and the "grandfather" abbey in Switzerland.

Clergy and Religious were invited to Vespers and the dedication of the shrine of Our Lady of Einsiedeln on Oct. 25, and Auxiliary Bishop Gilbert E. Chavez presided at the dedication of the Prince of Peace icon on the sanctuary wall of the church on Oct. 28.

The public is invited to view the church from 1 to 4 p.m. on Nov. 1, at the hilltop abbey, 650 Benet Hill Dr., at the end of Airport Road off Hwy. 78 in Oceanside.

In his homily, Bishop Maher said, "Today we dedicate this (church) as a house of love." In this church human love can be transformed to "reflect the divine love among us."

"Here in this (church), we gaze at Christ in the Eucharist, in the portrait of him in the Gospels; then we in the end begin to reflect him. We are changed from glory into glory, as St. Paul says.

"We begin to experience the strength, the power, the light, the guidance from the risen Lord and his Spirit, and we identify with his marvelous love for us and the light that shines in our hearts ... ."

In tribute to the local Benedictine community which in large part constructed the $1.5 million church themselves, Bishop Maher said, "Every detail of this monastic (church) is perfectly fashioned; every carving is faithfully executed."

The church features the colorful Prince of Peace icon behind the granite altar; a one-dimensional, life-sized crucifix and the scene of the Last Supper, both sculptured from aluminum, on a side wall behind the Blessed Sacrament chapel; and a large, contemporary stained-glass window, all created by members of the Benedictine community.

Abbot Ehringer, in remarks at the beginning of Mass, lauded all the monks and others whose labor



"Hungry, not only for bread
but also to exist for someone;
naked, not only for lack of clothing
but also lack of compassion;
homeless, not only having no home of wood or stone
but no friendly soul of whom one can say
'I have someone.' "

Mother Teresa

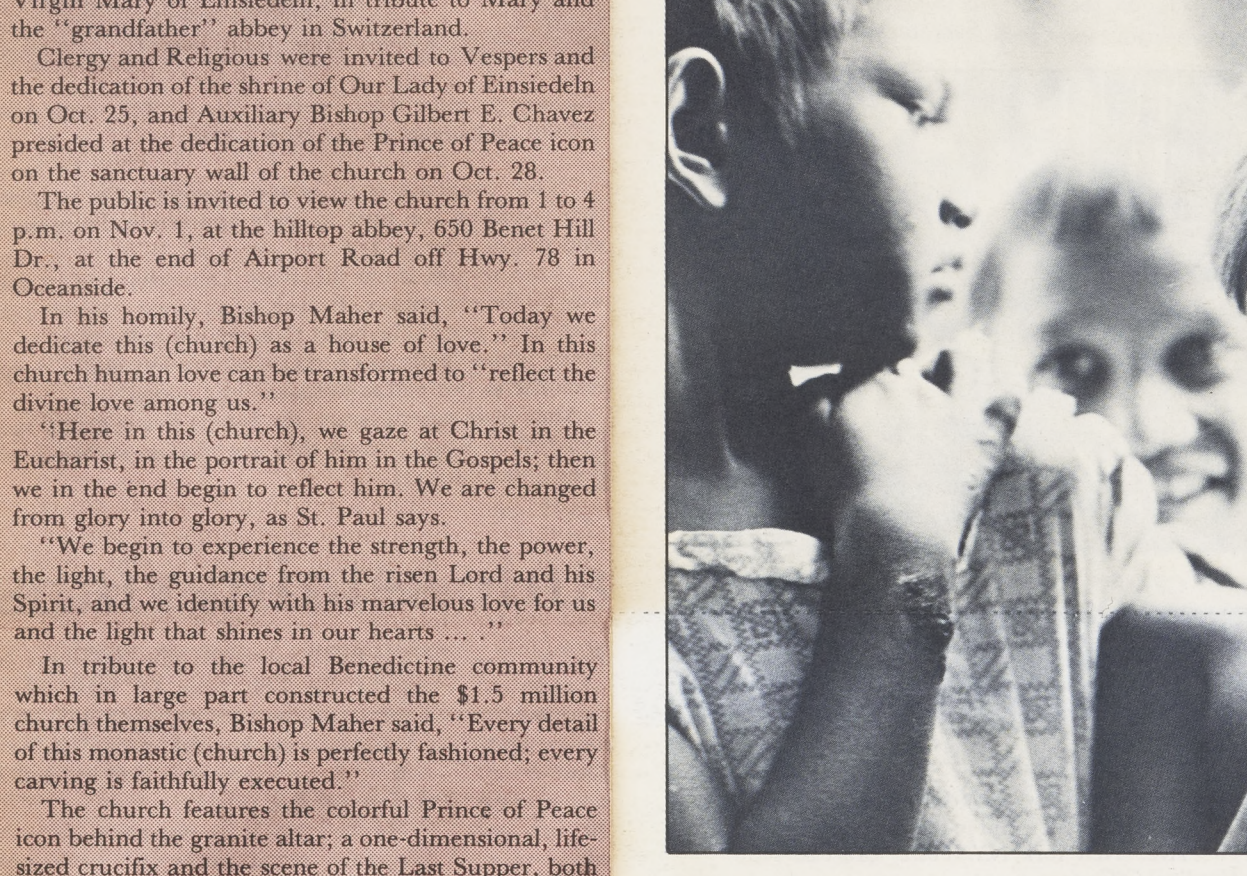


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'LIGHT OF CHRIST' — Abbot Claude Ehringer of the Benedictine Prince of Peace Abbey, Oceanside, lights a candle in the sanctuary of the monastery's new church during dedication ceremonies Oct. 21. Bishop Leo T. Maher, presider, handed the candle to the abbot, saying, "Light of Christ, shine forth in the church and bring all nations to the fullness of truth."

Photo by Richard Pecjak

OFFERTORY GIFTS — Brother Raphael Meyer, OSB, a master of ceremonies for the dedication Mass of the Prince of Peace Abbey Church, Oceanside, places hosts in the chalice before the liturgy begins. The offertory gifts were taken up to the altar during Mass and used in the eucharistic liturgy.

Ministries emerge as thorny synod issues

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opened to both men and women.''

How the church should accomplish this was unclear. Synod sources said there was no consensus on a proposal by Cardinal George Basil Hume of Westminster, England, to categorize lay ministries into instituted, permanent posts requiring prior training (lector, acolyte and perhaps catechist) and commissioned, temporary ones within local church communities.

Cardinal Hume's proposal was not specifically taken up in the preliminary summary report. But the report zeroed in on one important aspect of the debate: whether lay ministries are to be developed and coordinated on a local level or by the central church hierarchy.

According to Archbishop May, synod participants have proposed some ministries ''for the judgment of episcopal conferences, with the subsequent approval of the Holy See if it is considered necessary in major instances.''

This would no doubt please many Third World bishops, who have described to the synod a flourishing of lay positions in their local churches. These range from ''delegates of the Word,'' lay people who lead non-sacramental religious ceremonies in small groups, to the ''mokambi'' of Zaire — a lay leader who runs the local parish with the ''assistance'' of a visiting priest.

But some bishops are concerned about keeping a ''universal'' character to lay ministries, as well as church control over them. According to synod participants, for example, doctrinal questions were raised on the synod floor about the ''mokambi'' after it was explained in a talk by Cardinal Joseph Malula of Kinshasa, Zaire.

The preliminary summary report, too, struck a cautious note regarding lay leaders of church communities. Citing canon law, it said that even if a priest shortage forces lay people to exercise pastoral care in individual parishes, bishops must appoint outside priests to oversee them.

The ''sacramental character of the church and the centrality of the Eucharist'' cannot be forgotten, the report added. This appeared to be a reminder that local churches cannot be satisfied only with liturgies of the Word and other ceremonies not requiring a priest.

Liturgical rites for the installation of some lay ministers, particularly catechists, has some support among synod fathers, said one synod source. But others say this might raise a host of problems, such as the duration of the ministries or how to ''uninstall'' people who wish to leave them.

The word ''ministry'' itself raises historical and sacramental concerns. Several bishops, including Archbishop Roger M. Mahony of Los Angeles, have suggested that ''lay ministry'' may be a contradiction in terms. Others have said the word ''minister'' should be used only for ordained priests and deacons.

One bishop suggested ''servant'' as the appropriate term for the lay faithful performing church duties or services.

The preliminary summary report said the ordained priesthood is the ''true ministry'' which differs in an essential way from all others. Lay duties and responsibilities should be ''strictly distinguished from the ordained ministry,'' it said.

Others, however, like Bishop Patrick d'Souza of Varanasi, India, have stressed the interdependence of all services and ministries. He urged that the synod reject the ''narrow perspective that stresses difference'' and emphasize ''what is one and common.''

The sources said it was doubtful the synod by itself would be able to resolve these complex issues. Instead, it may choose to do one or more of the following:

- Ask for a special international church commission to study the problem.
- Present the mix of views to Pope John Paul II and ask him to reflect on them and work them into his own expected document on synod themes.
- Suggest that local churches and bishops' conferences keep experimenting.

Lay groups descend on Rome

By Greg Erlandson
NC News Service

ROME — When the world Synod of Bishops gathered in Rome Oct. 1-30 to discuss the vocation and mission of the laity, so did groups ranging from Women for Faith and Family to a conference of self-identified U.S. lay leaders.

Representing a broad variety of viewpoints, they came to shake hands with bishops, lobby for particular viewpoints or simply be ''affirmative.''

The largest group consisted of participants in ''Synod '87 Conference: A Gathering of American Catholic Leadership,'' who assembled in Rome not to ''lobby'' but as a sign of ''affirmation'' of the bishops, organizers said.

Sponsored by the Pallottines and three lay Catholic organizations, it brought 250 Catholics to Rome Oct. 17-25 for a mix of talks, panels, receptions and workshops running from morning to night.

According to Joe Holland of the Pallottine Institute for Lay Leadership and Apostolic Research, the conference's three goals were to ''meet and dialogue with'' Vatican officials, meet with Catholics from around the world, and discuss the American Catholic experience during three days of ''think tanks.''

Holland said organizers had received a ''nice letter'' from the synod's general secretary, Archbishop Jan Schotte, saying he did not recommend such a conference be held in Rome during the synod, but the group had been well received in the Vatican offices visited during the week.

The conference had no intention of being a ''rump synod,'' said Donna M. Hanson, executive director of Catholic Charities in Spokane, Wash., and chairwoman of the U.S. bishops' National Advisory Council. Hanson chaired the proceedings.

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Priest shortage called institutional problem

By Jerry Filteau
NC News Service

WASHINGTON — The growing shortage of Catholic priests in America ''is an institutional problem, not a spiritual problem,'' according to a new book by Catholic University of America sociologist Dean R. Hoge.

The shortage ''can be solved through institutional measures,'' the book said.

The institutional changes which Hoge described as having the most potential for alleviating the priest shortage were the acceptance of married men for ordination and the continued expansion of lay ministries, already growing rapidly across the country.

Among other possible institutional changes that he spelled out, but with less anticipated impact on the priest shortage, were:

- Redistribution of priests.
- Recruiting more seminarians.
- Expanding the permanent diaconate.
- Changing church rules on ordination of women, on the permanency of active ministry, or on the reactivation of men who have left the priesthood.

The most ''radical and dangerous'' approach, he said, would be to concentrate on expanded lay ministries and do nothing about the clergy shortage itself, because that could lead to a church that becomes non-sacramental or congregationalist.

The church could become non-sacramental, he said, because Catholics lacking weekly access to Mass may become accustomed to living without it.

Congregationalism is a danger, he said, because without initiatives from the hierarchy Catholics may start to ignore their bishops and take their own initiative to provide the ministers they feel they need for their parishes.

Compared with those options, ''the ordination of married men and of women is the safest course,'' with far less impact on fundamental church teaching and governance, Hoge argued.

Hoge's book, ''The Future of Catholic Leadership: Responses to the Priest Shortage,'' was published by Sheed and Ward. It was the product of three years of research by Hoge on U.S. Catholic priests, seminarians, vocation trends, and attitudes of adult and college-age Catholics.

Pope John Paul II argued in 1981 that the vocations shortage is ''part of the spiritual crisis which exists in the whole of modern civilization.'' More recently, during his visit to the United States in September, he called on priests and bishops to resist the ''prophets of Doom'' and find the resolution to the vocation crisis in prayer — ''the primary way to success'' — and in renewed faith in ''the power of the Lord of the harvest.''

Hoge rejected the ''spiritual crisis'' argument, saying that ''there is no evidence to support'' that view.

A 1983 study showed ''that all the middle-class Protestant denominations (in the United States) have a surplus of clergy,'' he wrote. ''The Catholic Church alone has a shortage. Yet both mainline Protestants and Catholics live in the midst of the same mainstream American culture. Their young men attend many of the same colleges, watch the same television shows, participate in the same youth culture, and emerge with similar self-conceptions.

''The reason for the low enrollment in Catholic seminaries cannot be due to any putative cultural factor which distinguishes Catholics from mainline Protestants in America,'' he concluded. ''It must be due to differences in institutional rules concerning clergy.''



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ISLAND BANDIT — Christopher Lambert stars as Salvatore Giuliano, the Sicilian bandit leader who took on the church, the state and the Mafia in Michael Cimino's "The Silician." The U.S. Catholic Conference says the film lacks any sense of culture and history, and has rated it A-4, adults, with reservations.

'The Sicilian' lacks punch

By Henry Herx and Tony Zaza
NC News Service

The Sicilian focuses on Salvatore Giuliano, the man who in 1947 rebelled against Sicily's ruling powers — Mafia, landowners, church — and became a popular hero who eluded the authorities until killed by one of his own followers.

That's history, but the screen adaptation of Mario Puzo's novel is a total shambles. Directed by Michael Cimino, the story is told on the level of grand opera, in a muddled, disjointed manner that suggests a myriad of missing scenes that either were never shot or couldn't be used.

Cimino's failure is on a grand scale, more's the pity because Christopher Lambert's performance as Salvatore and that of Joss Ackland as the Mafia don are quite riveting, though they have no context to give them any meaning.

The blame should be shared, however, by Steve Shagun, whose often ludicrous screenplay not only lacks a narrative sense but any sense of Sicilian culture and history.

Because it is such a failure, the movie's blood and gore have more emphasis than should have been the case. Graphic violence, brief nudity and some rough language are also part of the film.

USCC rating: A-4, adults, with reservations.

MPAA rating: R.

A surly teen-ager (Kirk Cameron) learns what it's like to be in the shoes of his ambitious dad, a surgeon (Dudley Moore), when they fall under the spell of a brain-transference potion the father accidentally ingests, in **Like Father Like Son**.

Director Rod Daniel affectionately develops this plot through a series of role-reversal adventures. Dad, who is stuck in the body of his son, confronts problems of high school and dating. His son, meanwhile, deals with hospital patients and the advances of the boss's wife (Margaret Colin).

There's some rough language and a failed seduction scene, some brief violence but a generally positive orientation in values in the characters.

USCC rating: A-2, adults and adolescents.

MPAA: PG-13.

Matt Dillon lets it all ride on one roll of the dice in **The Big Town**, director Ben Bolt's blatantly romanticized story of a young gambler who knows when to quit.

Leaving the hometown garage where he's been hustling the locals, Dillon puts his dice-shooting talents to work for unsavory club owners portrayed by Lee Grant and Bruce Dern.

He can't decide between the nice single parent (Suzy Amis) or the strip-teaser wife (Diane Lane) of mean-spirited Tommy Lee Jones, who runs a craps table for pros.

He escapes the ruthless big time with very little of his integrity intact, but he does choose the right girl.

Dillon, Lane and company convey stone-faced indifference throughout. Bolt captures the surface textures of the gambling mania that drives the best "arms" of the game but does little with the intrigues for "pay back," or getting even, of the pro gambling community the film tries to describe.

This is a story of a youth who succumbs to all the temptations of his inexperience but essentially remains unscathed. The action tends to portray compulsive gambling in a positive light, holding it up as if it were a craft worthy of development for those blessed with basic skills.

Negative role models, nudity in a sexual context, violence and bloodshed spell emotional and moral disaster for this Martin Ransohoff production.

USCC rating: O, morally offensive.

MPAA rating: R.

Surrender is an old-fashioned romantic comedy updated for the sexually explicit demands of the 1980s. Starring Sally Field and Michael Caine, there is some sharp satire of contemporary materialism, a number of sight gags and comic bits but a bad attitude about sex and marriage.

The plot gimmick is that Caine, a successful author, has to pay so much alimony and palimony that he won't even get in the same elevator with an attractive woman.

Caine meets Field under the duress of being disrobed and tied together when a gang of robbers breaks into a society reception. Field proves so sweet and innocent that Caine pretends he is broke and moves in on her when the man she is living with is off on a business trip.

When he is sure she is not after his money, Caine proposes but Field decides to marry her wealthy boyfriend. Finally she wins $2 million and can choose whomever she wishes.

By this time most viewers won't really care because Jerry Belson's script has simply run out of gas and the audience out of patience. Director Belson gets the right look of wealthy vulgarity for his picture of Beverly Hills life, and the goings-on within it are not very appealing.

Caine and Field do their best with the material but the roles are not very appealing. The comedy is built on the premise that living together is better than marriage and its legal responsibilities.

USCC rating: O, morally offensive.

MPAA rating: PG.

Henry Herx and Tony Zaza are on the staff of the U.S. Catholic Conference Department of Communication.

Movie Ratings

A-1

Benji the Hunted (G)
Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs (G)

A-2

Harry and the Hendersons (PG)
Innerspace (PG)
Jaws, the Revenge (PG-13)
La Bamba (PG-13)
Like Father Like Son (PG-13)
The Living Daylights (PG)
Maid to Order (PG)
Million Dollar Mystery (PG)
Nadine (PG)
Project X (PG)
Three for the Road (PG)

A-3

Adventures in Babysitting (PG-13)
Back to the Beach (PG)
The Believers (R)
Big Shots (PG-13)
The Big Easy (R)
Blind Date (PG-13)
Born in East L.A. (R)
Burglar (R)
Can't Buy Me Love (PG-13)
Dirty Dancing (PG-13)
The Fourth Protocol (R)
Hot Pursuit (PG-13)
No Way Out (R)
A Prayer for the Dying (R)
Predator (R)
Revenge of the Nerds II (PG-13)
Roxanne (PG)
Spaceballs (PG)
Suspect (R)
The Untouchables (R)
Withnail and I (R)

A-4

Full Metal Jacket (R)
Sicilian (R)

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The Allnighter (PG-13)
Beverly Hills Cop II (R)
The Big Town (R)
Cross My Heart (R)
Dragnet (PG-13)
Fatal Attraction (R)
The Good Wife (R)
Hamburger Hill (R)
No Mercy (R)
RoboCop (R)
Steele Justice (R)
Surrender (PG)
Tin Men (R)
The Witches of Eastwick (R)

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The Barbarians (PG-13)
A Man in Love (R)
Meatballs III (R)
Stakeout (R)

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Engaging in premarital sex is troubling youth

DEAR BOB
by BOB MUELLER JR.

Dear Bob,

A strange thing happened to me the other night. Actually, I let a strange thing happen. I've always thought that I should wait until I got married to have sex. But somehow I forgot that, or at least ignored it, when my girlfriend asked me to sleep with her. I remember it clearly enough now, though, and I feel like an incredible hypocrite.

I don't know what to do now. I feel so guilty. And what am I supposed to do next time I'm with her if she asks me to do it again? If I couldn't say "no" the first time, how am I going to the next time? I even feel stupid feeling guilty about it. Most of the guys I know would be bragging about it (or at least be pretty happy).

I don't know.

Fallen Angel

Dear Fallen,

It used to be that the guy was supposed to try and the girl was supposed to say "no," Today there are no rules, not that the old rules were all that great. The problem is that if a guy is playing by the old rules, a girl asking is totally unexpected and most guys don't know what they're supposed to say. Saying "no" to sex is seen by many people as a sign that something is wrong with you, even with the threat of AIDS. Not to mention the fact that whispering "no" while your hormones are screaming "yes" is pretty tough as it is. Anyway, you fell.

The important thing is to keep from falling again. The guilt that you are carrying isn't going to help you either. Somehow this type of guilt twists itself into rationalization. "As long as I've done it once, there is no use in waiting any longer."

My first advice is find a good priest to hear your confession, one you will feel comfortable talking with. If you don't want to talk to someone in your parish and you need a referral, call the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries (574-6303). Telling a priest and receiving the Lord's forgiveness will help you forgive yourself.

Second, don't wait until you are in the heat of passion to talk about this with your girlfriend. Tell her how you feel about what happened. Explain to her that you think sharing yourself in sexual intercourse is an expression of love which should only be shared by people who have sealed their commitment to each other in marriage. Ask her to respect your feelings on this matter and to help you to be true to them. Here is the hardest part.

There is no limit to physical and psychological endurance. Chances are you both know when you have to say "stop" and when it is too late. Discuss together your limits and commit to respecting them.

Your girlfriend may not understand. She may feel you are condemning her. She may also refuse to continue your relationship within these limits. Do the best you can to explain without condemning. Use a lot of "I" statements: "I feel," "I can't," "I think," and avoid using the word you. Remember that your relationship with the Lord is an intricate part of who you are. He/She can't be "God of My Life (except for sex)," and truly be God.

Letters can be addressed to Bob Mueller, Jr., coordinator of youth ministry, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 13541 Stoney Creek Road, San Diego, CA 92129.



Photo by Sister Mary Aidan, OSB

FOOD DRIVE — Members of the St. Rose of Lima Associated Student Council display some of the lunches donated by the school's students Oct. 16, World Food Day. The ASC members who took charge of the Chula Vista school's third annual "Donate a Lunch Day" are Dominique Gonzales, left, Chrissy Bashore, Colleen McKenna and Ilse Garcia. Moderator Kathy Smith, back, assisted. St. Rose parishioner Ronaldo Espinosa delivered the lunches to poor persons living in downtown San Diego.

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Bishops' upcoming appointments

Bishop Leo. T. Maher

Friday, Oct. 30, to Sunday, Nov. 1, Tucson, Ariz., annual investiture of the Knights and Ladies of the Holy Sepulchre.

Tuesday, Nov. 3, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Archbishop's Residence, St. Patrick's Seminary, Menlo Park, annual meeting of the California Catholic Conference.

Auxiliary Bishop Gilbert E. Chavez

Sunday, Nov. 1, 10:30 a.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, Catholic Daughters of the America's memorial Mass.

Monday, Nov. 2, 11 a.m., Holy Cross Cemetery, annual All Souls Day Mass.

Thursday, Nov. 5, 6 p.m., St. Joseph rectory conference room, Hispanic Commission meeting.

Parishes

Ascension, Tierrasanta, plans a bus trip to see "The Price Is Right" on Nov. 10 at 11 a.m. Sponsored by the Women of Ascension. Cost is $9.

Blessed Sacrament, San Diego, will host a Christmas Faire Nov. 7-8 in the parish hall. Hours: noon-7 p.m. Saturday; 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Sunday. For more, call D. Laughlin, 463-1918. The parish will celebrate its 50th anniversary in May 1988. For more information, call 583-4612.

Corpus Christi, Bonita, will sponsor a Halloween dinner/dance Oct. 30, beginning at 6:30 p.m., at the Bonita Golf Club. Donation is $20; costumes are optional. Proceeds benefit the parish building fund. For tickets, call 470-8882. The parish has two bus trips upcoming: Nov. 19 to Forest Lawn to see the "Last Supper" and the "Crucifixion" and the TV show "Will Shriner," Cost $16; Dec. 1 to Crystal Cathedral to see "The Glory of Christmas," cost $33. For information on these trips,call Jane Machado, 479-3377.

Immaculata, Alcala Park, will present a two-part lecture on the principal themes and issues of the bishops' pastoral letter, "Economic Justice For All," at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 14. Speaker will be USD professor Gary Macy.

Good Shepherd, Mira Mesa, will hold its annual Christmas boutique Nov. 7 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in school building room 2. For details, call Paula Ayers, 271-1526.

Mary, Star of the Sea, La Jolla, will have a dessert and card party, sponsored by the altar and rosary society, Oct. 30 at 12:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Donation is $3. Call Carmody, 454-5077.

Our Lady of Angels, San Diego, will host its annual Christmas boutique Nov. 8 and 15 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the patio. Proceeds benefit the school. For more, call 239-1231.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School, San Ysidro, will host its annual Halloween carnival Oct. 30 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the school grounds. Highlight will be a costume parade. Also featured will be game booths and Mexican food. Call 428-2091.

Our Mother of Confidence, University City, will serve a Polish dinner Nov. 6 from 5 to 10 p.m. For reservations, call 452-7426. The parish will also hold its annual holiday bazaar Nov. 14-15. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday; 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday. Featuring handmade gifts, home-baked goods and boutique items. For information, call Bobbie and Stu Westdal, 453-9671, after 5 p.m.

Sacred Heart, Ocean Beach, will hold its annual Alumnae Fall Event Nov. 4 at a home atop Mt. Soledad. Begins with Mass at 6 p.m. For further information call 297-3145.

Santa Sophia, Spring Valley, will have a workshop, "A Challenge of Growth for the Separated, Divorced and Widowed," on Tuesday, Nov. 10, Dec. 8, Jan. 19 and Feb. 23, at 7 p.m. Registration is $5. For more, call Sister Annette, 463-6629. The S.S. LIFE group will meet for supper Nov. 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Cost is $4.50. For more, call Agnes Smith, 442-7190.

St. Brigid, Pacific Beach, will have a masquerade party, sponsored by the Young Adult Group, on Oct. 31 from 8-11:15 p.m. Gene Knight from B-100 will be the guest DJ. Admission is $5. Prize will be awarded for the best costume.

St. Didacus, Normal Heights, will host a "turkey trot" luncheon and card party Nov. 7 at noon in the parish hall. Sponsored by the altar society. For information, call 284-4917 or 282-7492.

St. James, Solana Beach, will have a lecture, "Does Anybody Sin Anymore," by Father Dan Dillabough Nov. 4 at 7:30 p.m. Call 755-7669. Gertrud Mueller Nelson will give a presentation, "Celebrating the Church Year at Home with the Family," on Nov. 16 at 7:30 p.m.

St. Kieran, El Cajon, will host a Holy Spirit seminar Nov. 14-15 at the parish. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more, call 444-3775.

St. Mark, San Marcos, will offer a "Ministry to the Homebound" program on Nov. 7 and 14 from 9 to 1 p.m. at the parish. Topics will include aging changes and adaptation, community resources and spiritual enrichment. For further information, call Helen O'Connell, 727-5742.

St. Martin, La Mesa, will hold its annual fall festival Oct. 31 from noon to 11 p.m. on the church grounds. Featuring games, prizes, spaghetti dinner and "Irish" bingo. For more, call Tim Smith, 463-2324 or Patti Pettit, 469-4119.

St. Mary Magdalene, Clairemont, will have a "Roaring Twenties Casino Night," Nov. 14 in the parish hall from 6 p.m. to midnight. Donation is $20. Sponsored by the School of the Madeleine. For more, call Sheri Pattinson, 276-2278.

St. Michael, Poway, will have a car wash Oct. 31 in the parking lot from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Donation is $3. Proceeds benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Center. Call 748-0356 or 485-1392.

St. Pius X, Chula Vista, will sponsor a bus trip to "The Glory of Christmas" at Crystal Cathedral Dec. 2. Cost is $35. For reservations, call 469-5940 or 697-4001.

St. Pius X, Jamul, will serve a Mexican dinner Nov. 7 from 5:30-8 p.m. in the parish hall. Sponsored by the Ladies Commission. For more, call Barbara Smith, 697-9337. The parish will also sponsor a bus trip to the "Living Nativity" at Crystal Cathedral on Dec. 2. Cost is $35. For information, call Evie at 469-5940 or Rita at 697-4001.

San Rafael, Rancho Bernardo, will celebrate a Mass and host a complimentary brunch for all parishioners Nov. 8 at 11 a.m.

St. Rose of Lima, Chula Vista will offer a six-week course, "Running the Race: Christian Spirituality Through the Centuries," on Sundays from 7-9 p.m., beginning Oct. 25, in the school library. Father William Lawson will conduct the sessions. For more information, call 426-6750.

St. Therese, Del Cerro, will sponsor a patio rummage sale Oct. 31 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the social center. Breakfast will be available for $2.50. For details, call Jim Wabeck, 287-9015. The parish also offers a scripture study three times a week in the parish education room 1. Schedule is Tuesday at 7:15 p.m.; Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. and Thursday at 7:30 p.m. For information, call Sister Elizabeth, 582-2585.

Groups

Christ Centered Singles and Re-Marrieds began a 24-week workshop, "Healing Life's Hurts," Oct. 20. Sessions will continue on Tuesdays from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at St. Didacus Church hall. For further information, call Carol Gardiner Brown, 579-0995.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Diocese of San Diego, will hold their annual memorial Mass on Nov. 1 at 10:30 a.m. in St. Joseph Cathedral. Auxiliary Bishop Gilbert Chavez will be the celebrant. Officers should wear the robe indicative of their office. For more, call 223-7516.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas will hold their annual memorial Mass Nov. 1 at St. Joseph Cathedral at 10:30 a.m. For more, call Frances Meeker, 223-7516.

Friends of Nazareth will hold their monthly meeting an birthday celebration at Nazareth House Nov. 2 at noon.

San Diego Catholic Worker will host a special Dorothy Day commemoration Nov. 6-8 at the Nevada Nuclear Test Site. For more, call Alice LaBarre, 281-7690.

Lay Order of Carmelites will hold a rosary, Mass and community meeting Nov. 7 at 8:45 a.m. in St. Agnes Church, Point Loma. For details, call Jean Carsola, 222-0243.

Italian Catholic Federation, St. Rose of Lima Branch, will host a Harvest Moon dinner and dance Nov. 7 at 6 p.m. in St. Rose of Lima parish center. Music will be by Blue Bayou. Cost is $8.50. For tickets, call John Stassi, 427-1352.

CCS Auxiliary's Holiday Boutique is set for Nov. 7-8 at St. Therese Church hall. Hours: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday; 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday. Proceeds benefit CCS charities. For more, call 583-2343.

St. Martin Women's Club will have a Las Vegas bus tour Nov. 9-11. Cost is $80. For reservations, call 466-5587.

Catholic Alumni Club will hold a Harvest Moon Dance Nov. 14 from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Catamaran Hotel. Tickets are $7 in advance, $9 at the door. For tickets, call 295-3333 ext. 258 or 578-6016.

The Ladies of Charity will hold their regional conference at the Ramada Inn, Old Town, Nov. 13-15. Registration is $25. Room cost is $69.95 double; $58.85 single. For reservations, contact Patsy Kielty, 4298 Randolph Terrace, San Diego, 92103.

Immaculate Conception Fraternity, Secular Franciscan Order, will hold its monthly meeting and annual Christmas mart Nov. 15 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Serra Hall, Old Town. Proceeds benefit the poor. For more, call Marie Ruiz, 298-7038.

Liturgies

A Mass and healing service will be celebrated Nov. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in St. Mary Star of the Sea Church, La Jolla. Celebrant will be Father Ray Elam. Sponsored by the DCRC. Call 459-3255.

A Mass and healing service will be celebrated by Father Ralph Weishaar, OFM, Nov. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in Mission San Luis Rey. Sponsored by the DCRC. Call 459-3255.

A first Friday Charismatic Mass will be celebrated by Father Joe Scerbo, SA, Nov. 6 at 7:15 p.m. in St. Vincent de Paul Church, Mission Hills. Sponsored by DCRC. Call 459-3255.

A Mass and healing service will be celebrated by Father Lew Fischer Nov. 12 at 7:45 p.m. in St. Mary Church, Escondido. Sponsored by DCRC. Call 459-3255.

A Mass and healing service will be celebrated by Father Ray Elam, OSA, Nov. 18 at 7:30 p.m. in St. John of the Cross Church, Lemon Grove. Sponsored by DCRC. Call 459-3255.

Retreats

A vocation retreat weekend for men will take place Nov. 6-8 at St. Francis seminary. Sponsored by the Vocations Office. For details, call 295-2971.

A Beginning Experience retreat — for widowed, separated and divorced persons — will take place at St. Charles Retreat House, Imperial Beach, from Nov. 6-8. For information, call Judy, 448-3129, Myrna, 466-9907, or Chris 258-0720.

A day of renewal will be held in St. James parish hall, Solana Beach, Nov. 7 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Topic: "Rebuilding Broken Lands of Trust." Sponsored by the DCRC. For further information, call 459-3255.

Marriage Encounter will sponsor weekends Nov. 13-15 and Dec. 4-6. For information, call 461-5683 or 482-0491.

High Schools

Homecoming festivities will be held by University of San Diego High School Nov. 6 at 7:30 p.m. at USD stadium. The USD High Dons will meet the Clairemont Chieftans. For more information, call 298-8277.

Workshops

A "Life in the Spirit" seminar will be held Sundays, through Nov. 22, at Mission San Luis Rey's Peyri Hall. Led by Father Ralph Weishaar, OFM. Sponsored by the Children of Light Mission San Luis Rey Charismatic Prayer Group. For details, call 433-9794, 487-7225, 757-3651.

A ministers of the word mini-series will be held Nov. 4, 11, 18 at the Ministry Center. Cost is $18. Registration due by Oct. 26. Sponsored by the Center for Liturgy and Prayer. Call 293-3375.

"Sex, By God!" a mini-course in sexuality and sex education for parents, catechists and teachers, will be held Nov. 5, 12, 19 from 7-9:30 p.m. at the University of San Diego High School in Linda Vista. Presenter will be Maria T. Klein. Cost is $10 per person; $15 per couple. Sponsored by the Office of Catechetical Ministry. For information, call 574-6311.

Eucharistic ministers training, in Spanish, will take place Nov. 7, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Resurrection parish, Escondido. Pastors permission is required for enrollment. Fee is $10 in advance; $12 at the door. For details, call the Center for Liturgy and Prayer, 293-3375.

"The Role of the Pastoral Musician in the Parish," an evening for musicians, will be held Nov. 10, 7:30-9:30 p.m., in St. Didacus parish hall. Moderators: Father Nicolas Reveles and Sister Joanne Nicgorski. Sponsored by the Center for Liturgy and Prayer. No fee. For more, call 293-3375.

USD

"Love, Vodka, Laughter, Tears: A Look at Soviet Life Under the Surface" is the subject of lectures to be given by Dr. George Feifer, a expert on the Soviets, Nov. 3 in the University Center Forum. First presentation is from noon-2 p.m.; second is at 8 p.m. For more, call 260-4682.

Organist Janice Feher will present an organ recital Nov. 6 at 8 p.m. in Founders Chapel. Featuring music by Lidon, Soler, Bach and Vierne. For details, call 260-4682.

Miscellaneous

"Kingdom Living," a Catholic religious program, is broadcast on Sunday from 9 to 10 a.m. on KTTY-Channel 69 and Thursday from 6 to 7 p.m. on Cox Cable-Channel 26. Program is sponsored by the DCRC."

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El terremoto que sacudió a Los Angeles recientemente causo daño a la Misión San Gabriel, una de las misiones fundadas por Fray Junípero Serra. Un crucifijo que ha estado en la misión desde 1771 se quebró cuando se cayó de un altar. También aparecieron rajaduras en las paredes y el techo del bautisterio, dañando a los frescos. El campanario con seis campanas sufrió daño. El temblor causó millones de dólares de destrucción en Whittier, donde viven muchas personas de herencia hispana. Mucha gente teme regresar a su hogar y ha vivido al aire libre desde que ocurrió el terremoto el 1° de octubre.

Seminarista de S.D. asiste a reunión de seminaristas hispanos

FRESNO — Anthony DiAngelis, seminarista de la Diócesis de San Diego, estuvo entre 55 seminaristas de California que asistieron a la cuarta Reunión Anual de Seminaristas Hispanos de California del 2 al 4 de octubre en el Ryan Pastoral Center en Fresno.

DiAngelis, que está en su primer año de estudios teológicos en St. Patrick's Seminary en Menlo Park, dijo que él estuvo entre los pocos seminaristas no-hispanos que participaron en la reunión que se enfocó sobre el tema "La Espiritualidad del Seminarista Hispano."

Entre los conferencistas de la reunión estaba el Obispo Auxiliar Alphonse Gallegos de Sacramento que habló sobre la necesidad de poner la espiritualidad en el centro de la vida como seminarista o sacerdote. Desafió a los seminaristas a comprender el concierto entre la espiritualidad y la acción.

Durante su presentación, la Hermana María Angela Mesa, CSJ, directora de la Oficina de Apostolado Hispano para la Diócesis de Fresno, enfatizó los fundamentos espirituales básicos de la fe y expresíon hispana. Principal entre estos son la centralidad de la familia, su relación a la celebración total, y el respeto a la vida.

En su bienvenida, el Obispo Joseph J. Madera de Fresno les recordó que la espiritualidad es más profunda que los signos externos. Tener solamente la apariencia hispana no es bastante; la espiritualidad debe expresar lo que somos y lo que creemos de la vida y del lugar de Dios en nuestras vidas, dijo.

Los participantes tuvieron la oportunidad de discutir entre ellos mismos los varios temas y preguntas hechas durante la reunión.

DiAngelis dijo que optó por ir a la reunión porque creyó que le ayudará a comprender mejor la cultura hispana. "También quería familiarizarme con los seminaristas hispanos a nivel personal ... y a crear amistadades."

Ha ido a otras dos reuniones, pero esta fue la primera en que pudo entender las presentaciones, dadas en español. "Estoy aprendiendo español," dijo, añadiendo que antes usaba los servicios de un interprete.

Cree que es importante que seminaristas no-hispanos entiendan la cultura hispana. Si un hombre va ser sacerdote en la Diócesis de San Diego, va a trabajar con hispanos, dijo.

Aún los que no son asignados a una parroquia con una población numerosa de hispanos pueden aprovecharse de aprender la cultura hispana, dijo. Con este conocimiento, "puedes ayudar los no-hispanos a comprender el ambiente hispano."

Raul Sánchez, seminarista de la Diócesis de Fresno, fue director de la reunión y guió el proceso con la asistencia de coordinadores estudiantiles de otros seminarios y comunidades religiosas.

La Reunión Anual de Seminaristas Hispanos de California tiene la asistencia de la Conferencia Católica de California, División de Asuntos Hispanos. El Padre Ricardo Chávez es el director.

SAN DIEGO — "Voces de Peregrinos," un programa religioso de 15 minutos cada semana, incluye entrevistas, oraciones y canciones. El programa es producido por la Conferencia Católica de California y se emitirá a través de las estaciones KMJC-AM (9.10), en El Cajon, los sábados a las 7:15 a.m. y KICO-AM (14.90), en Calexico, los viernes a las 8:45 p.m.

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USCC knocks Wilson amendment to rights act

NC News Service

WASHINGTON — An amendment to the Civil Rights Restoration Act to be proposed by Sen. Pete Wilson, R-Calif., is "unacceptable," because it does not render the act abortion-neutral, the U.S. Catholic Conference said.

The amendment "exacerbates" the abortion-related concerns of the USCC, said Mark E. Chopko, USCC general counsel, in a letter to Wilson dated Oct. 8 urging him not to offer it.

The USCC, public policy arm of the U.S. bishops, released the letter Oct. 21.

Pro-lifers and Catholic Church officials fear that if the Civil Rights Restoration Act is passed without an abortion-neutral amendment, educational, medical and similar institutions receiving federal funds would be required to provide abortion services or benefits.

In his letter, Chopko urged Wilson to join in support of the "abortion-neutral" amendment, known in the Senate as the Danforth Amendment and in the House as the Tauke-Sensenbrenner Amendment, which has the support of the American Hospital Association and the Catholic Health Association.

"USCC finds your amendment unacceptable," he said.

If the act is passed without an abortion-neutral amendment, it could undermine the Hyde Amendment, which prohibits federal funding of abortion by requiring the states to pay for them, Chopko said in the letter.

The Civil Rights Restoration Act would overturn the Supreme Court's 1984 Grove City College case ruling that only programs receiving federal funds in such institutions as universities, not the entire institution, can face financial penalties for violations of civil rights laws. Four laws, including the 1972 civil rights education amendments, would be strengthened.

The bill has passed a key Senate committee but has not seen any action by the full Senate.

A coalition of Reform Jewish groups and several Christian denominations has urged Congress to enact the bill without an abortion-neutral amendment or other "crippling" riders. Amending the act, the coalition says, would kill or substantially weaken it.

But pro-lifers fear the Senate bill, S.557, would reinforce a 1975 federal government interpretation that the education amendments' Title IX section demands provision of abortion services.

The amendment proposed by Sen. John Danforth, R-Mo., says Congress does not intend Title IX to require educational institutions, hospitals or other organizations to provide or pay for abortion services "over objections of principle," according to the USCC.

It would not, however, prohibit organizations from paying for abortion coverage if they freely choose to do so, the USCC said.

On the other hand, the Wilson amendment only protects organizations with "religious tenets" against abortion from being forced to fund abortions, it said.

"Because of constitutional restrictions, governments do not have religious tenets and therefore would not be protected by your amendment," Chopko told Wilson in his letter.

The Wilson amendment, he continued, would not protect any public entity subject to Title IX that "chooses not to perform or pay for abortion services, through insurance or otherwise, for its employees, students or the public it serves."

As examples of institutions the amendment would not protect he cited hospitals and departments that administer state Medicaid programs.

Title IX regulations state that "any recipient which provides full coverage health service shall provide gynecological care," and stipulate that abortion must be treated the same as pregnancy and childbirth.

In his letter, Chopko also expressed concern that language in the Wilson amendment would require religious organizations to define their religious tenets in charters or through their governing bodies in order to qualify for exemption. This, he said, "would provide a new license for administrators to scrutinize the religious beliefs and principles of organizations."

Feast notes living saints

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hours of voluntary labor; poor people themselves "who can be amazingly generous with their time" as they help other unfortunate people.

The Gospel for the All Saints Day liturgy also calls the faithful to be peacemakers, he said, adding that Christians must follow their consciences in responding to this challenge.

For some, peacemaking means demonstrating at the Nevada test site, he said. Others write letters to congressmen, participate in prayer vigils and help their children appreciate the need for peace.

Father Ron Pachence, director of the Institute for Christian Ministries, will apply the beatitudes to daily life in his homily for the diocesan TV Mass to be aired Nov. 1 at 6:30 a.m. on Channel 39: "The kingdom of God belongs to anyone who has made peace, has hungered for justice, was poor in spirit and who showed mercy."

He will remind his viewers that the feast not only honors saints like St. Francis and St. Theresa, but others — "no less holy in the sight of God — whose lives serve as role models for the Christian community."

The homilist will urge those in his audience to remember their departed family members, saints of God whose witness can enrich and encourage them on their journey to heaven. "We all know the saying: we can see so far because we have stood on the shoulders of giants."

Halloween, the vigil of All Saints, traces its origin to the Middle Ages, when it was called All Hallows Evening and anticipated the sacredness of the following day.

Closely associated with the feast of All Saints is All Souls Day, Nov. 2. This date was chosen to show how the faithful departed share in the communion of saints — that all who die in the Lord's favor will one day share in the glory of the saints, according to literature from the liturgy center.

Auxiliary Bishop Gilbert E. Chavez will preside at an All Souls Day Mass Nov. 2 at 11 a.m. at Holy Cross Cemetery Chapel, 4470 Hilltop Drive, San Diego.

The readings, prayers and songs of the Masses for All Souls Day express faith that the deceased will share in the Easter mystery.

The opening prayer asks God to "strengthen our hope that all our departed brothers and sisters will share in his resurrection."

According to the "Theological Dictionary" of the late Father Karl Rahner, the notion of the communion of saints is based on the "concept which connotes fellowship in the faith at the celebration of the Eucharist of each member with all, and all with Christ. It also signifies union with the dead who have gone before us and with the angels."

Economy letter show not aired

SAN DIEGO — KPBS Channel 15 did not broadcast the documentary "God and Money" on Oct. 11, as the station had previously announced.

"God and Money" examines the history and debate on the U.S. bishops' pastoral letter on the economy.

The diocesan Peace and Justice Commission has contacted the station in hopes of getting a new air date for the program, said Ellen Smith, a commission staff member.

The original broadcast date had been slated to coincide with "Economic Justice for All" day, which had been designated by Bishop Leo T. Maher as a day to focus on the economy pastoral letter.

The Peace and Justice Commission will publicize the new date for the airing of the documentary as soon as it is set, Smith said.

Legislation seeks deduction for adoption expenses

By Julie Asher
NC News Service

WASHINGTON — Legislation recently introduced into Congress would allow tax deductions for adoption expenses up to $7,000 and, its supporters said, would eliminate what they see as a pro-abortion bias in current tax laws.

Abortion can be deducted as a medical expense but doctor bills that are part of adoption expenses cannot be.

Known as the "Fairness to Adopting Families Act," the legislation was introduced Sept. 30 by Rep. William Lehman, D-Fla., and Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah. Co-sponsors were Reps. Frank Wolf, D-Va., and Patricia Schroeder, D-Colo., and Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill.

It would amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a deduction for expenses of up to $7,000 for adopting a foreign child, and up to $5,000 for a domestic adoption.

Eligible expenses would include maternity services, court costs, attorney fees and adoption agency fees. Families earning under $60,000 could deduct 100 percent of the costs.

Deductions could not be taken on the adoption by an individual of his or her spouse's child.

Douglas Johnson, legislative director for the National Right to Life Committee, said his organization has supported such legislation for years because it would be "good pro-life policy for the government" and eliminate a "pro-abortion bias" in tax laws.

"Current law is schizophrenic," he said. "The cost of an abortion is deductible as medical expenses; for adoption, medical care is not (deductible). The tax policy is in favor of abortion."

Also, he noted, group health plans cover normal childbirth and abortion but not the medical bills for the adoptive child, he noted.

But, he added, the same bill has been introduced for a number of years and is "regarded by some as a drain on the treasury."

As introduced, the Fairness to Adopting Families Act would also encourage more companies to offer adoption assistance benefits by treating such benefits as necessary business expenses. Those benefits could not be counted as taxable income for those assisted.

Richard Doerflinger, assistant director of the pro-life activities office of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, has said the federal government can and should do more to remove obstacles to adoption.

Last May, Doerflinger, as part of a panel testifying before the House Select Committee of Children, Youth and Family, urged "renewed consideration" of ways to facilitate adoption for unmarried pregnant teen-agers and of a federal tax deduction for adoption expenses.

"It is our view that much of the demand for exotic reproductive technologies (such as surrogate motherhood) is due to the fact that many infertile couples see adoption as difficult or impossible," he said.

"Adoption does not divide or redefine families, but copes with the reality of non-existent or non-functioning families in such a way as to benefit everyone — the child, the birth parents, and the adoptive couple."

Doerflinger said the only federal program facilitating adoption for unmarried pregnant teen-agers, the Adolescent Family Life program, has never received adequate funding and "now risks being phased out all together."

He noted that the only existing tax deduction for adoption expenses — a 5-year-old provision applying only to adoption of children with handicaps and other special needs — was eliminated by the 1986 Tax Reform Law.

The proposed legislation has been a high priority for the National Committee for Adoption, said Jeff Rosenberg, director for adoption services.

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